

HOUSE RESOLUTION 192

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A RESOLUTION recognizing the original members of the Wilson County Fair Board.

WHEREAS, the members of this General Assembly are honored to recognize the members of those boards who, in volunteering their time and energies in service to their causes, seek to improve the lives of Tennesseans and to make this State a better place in which to live; and

WHEREAS, the Wilson County Fair Board is comprised of individuals who have dedicated their efforts to creating the finest county fair in Tennessee; and

WHEREAS, since its inception thirty years ago, the Wilson County Fair Board has held as its primary goal the creation and cultivation of a county fair which entertains and educates the young and old while offering a host of exhibitions and performances that draw from the whole spectrum of life in Tennessee; and

WHEREAS, the Wilson County Fair, which will take place this year on August 21-29, has as its current theme "Celebrating Thirty Years of Volunteers." On August 23, during its celebration of Founder's Day, the fair will recognize and honor those members of the board who, thirty years ago, came together to comprise the initial Wilson County Fair Board, to promote the establishment of the Wilson County Fair, and guide the fair through its first years; and

WHEREAS, those intrepid community leaders who dedicated their time and energies in service to the 1979 Wilson County Fair Board of Directors were President Johnny Trice, Vice President Stratton Bone, Secretary Hale Moss, Treasurer Randall Clemons, Executive Committee Member Eddie Hobbs, Bobby Jewell, Frank Jennings, Nelson Steed, Virginia Jordan, David Marks, Joe Bell, Bob Rochelle, Jessie Coe, Ray Smith, Stan Hayes, Joe Perry,

Doris Smartt, Don Hatcher, Melvin Arnett, Connie Hamilton, Wendell Kopp, Wayne Baines, Gordon Skeen, Jack Cato, Barbara Hagan Johnny Moss, Charlene Key, Mrs. Howell Ricketts, David Grandstaff, Barbara Marks, and Jimmy Floyd; and

WHEREAS, the members of the 1979 Youth Board were Melissa Hart, Leigh Ann Harper, Suzanne Arnold, Treva Hall, Mallorie Kane, Stanley Word, Tommy Barber, Bruce Hallums, Ken Jennings, Andy Trice, Carol Capley, Rhonda Foster, Geanne Williams, Connie Sandidge, Beverly McPeak, Douglas Flatt, Jackie Sells, Joe Comer, Larry Davidson, Jay Williams, and Keith Harrison; and

WHEREAS, of those determined visionaries who comprised the first iteration of the Wilson County Fair Board, five individuals continue to serve as active members of the board. This year marks thirty years of service for those dedicated five: Barbara Hagan Allison, Randall Clemons, Virginia Jordan, Hale Moss, and Nelson Steed; and

WHEREAS, in addition to the tireless efforts put forth by these five individuals, the Wilson County Fair Board also benefits from the guidance and hard work of John R. Trice, the first President of the board and the current Executive Board Member Emeritus; and

WHEREAS, in recognition of their three decades of service to the Wilson County Fair, the good people of Wilson County, and the citizens of Tennessee, and in further recognition of the parts they played in the cultivation of Tennessee's finest, most entertaining, and most educational county fair, it is fitting that this body honors those five members of the Wilson County Fair Board who have served since the board's origination; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE HUNDRED SIXTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, that we hereby recognize and applaud the original members of the Wilson County Fair Board of Directors, President Johnny Trice, Vice President Stratton Bone, Secretary Hale Moss, Treasurer Randall Clemons, Executive Committee Member Eddie Hobbs, Bobby Jewell, Frank Jennings, Nelson Steed, Virginia Jordan, David Marks, Joe Bell, Bob Rochelle, Jessie Coe, Ray Smith, Stan Hayes, Joe Perry, Doris Smartt, Don Hatcher, Melvin Arnett, Connie Hamilton, Wendell Kopp, Wayne Baines, Gordon Skeen, Jack Cato, Barbara Hagan Johnny Moss, Charlene Key, Mrs. Howell Ricketts, David Grandstaff, Barbara Marks, and Jimmy Floyd.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that we further recognize and applaud the membership of the initial Wilson County Fair Youth Board, Melissa Hart, Leigh Ann Harper, Suzanne Arnold, Treva Hall, Mallorie Kane, Stanley Word, Tommy Barber, Bruce Hallums, Ken Jennings, Andy Trice, Carol Capley, Rhonda Foster, Geanne Williams, Connie Sandidge, Beverly McPeak, Douglas Flatt, Jackie Sells, Joe Comer, Larry Davidson, Jay Williams, and Keith Harrison.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that we further recognize original members Barbara Hagan Allison, Randall Clemons, Virginia Jordan, Hale Moss, and Nelson Steed; John R. Trice, Executive Board Member Emeritus; and all of the volunteers who have, over the past three decades, endeavored to make the fair an extraordinary success, extending our very best wishes for their every continued success and happiness in the future.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that we also recognize Executive Board Member Emeritus John R. Trice for his unwavering service to the Wilson County Fair Board.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.